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East Hill Foursquare: A Church in Conversation with its Community. Popel



#### 1979 Is A NOW YEAR

On a morning in the month of December at an early hour, I awakened suddenly with the knowledge that the Spirit of God was moving upon me and giving me a very urgent word for this hour.

Quickly I arose, fell upon my knees and began to pray and praise the Lord. At once, I became aware that the Holy Spirit was speaking to me about the coming year-1979 and that it included what He wanted to produce in the faith, love, obedience, action and expectancy of His people and churchand especially Angelus Temple.

Over and over again the urgent words of Jesus in Revelation 22:7,12,20 kept coming to me-"Behold, I come quickly"; and "Surely I come quickly."

Then the words of II Corinthians 6:2 seemed to ring out like mighty bells: "Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation."

I picked up the pen and notebook I use in sermon

preparation and began to write:

"1979 is a NOW YEAR, a red-letter year, and a year of miracles, wonders, signs and healings in the name of the Holy Child Jesus.

"1979 is the year that tricklings of His blessings and

miracle touches become brooks; brooks become streams; streams become rivers; and rivers become mighty rivers and many rivers.

"OUR TIME IS A NOW TIME! Is there any love in your heart? Show it now! Any praising and praying! Do it now! Any discipline of time and energy for the cause of our Lord? Any consecration, dedication or dependability? Show it NOW!

"Any faithfulness in supporting the church? Any witnessing of faith, love, vision, hopes and holy desires?

RELEASE THEM NOW!

"The harvest field is ripe and ready—reap it NOW!" The body of Christ is being completed and His Church is now preparing. Jesus is soon coming for His Bride who is without spot or wrinkle and who has washed her robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Will you NOW let the Holy Spirit fill you with His love, His faith, His courage and His obedience so that you might, with joy devoid of shame and dread, say "Even so, come quickly, Lord Jesus"?

> Dr. Howard P. Courtney Vice President Pastor, Angelus Temple

Pastor and Vice President Howard P. Courtney reports that the 1979 Faith Pledges received during Angelus Temple's recent Missionary Conference totaled \$136,628. Pastor Courtney made several guest appearances on the PTL Television Program from Charlotte, N.C. during the week of Jan. 15-19.

General Supervisor M.E. Nicholls and Dr. Leland Edwards, Director of Foursquare Missions, International, will attend the N.A.E. Convention in Orlando, Fla., Mar. 6-8. Dr. Nicholls will also participate in PFNA Board Meetings scheduled during this period in Orlando.

Construction work on the new UFW Alabaster House began at its new location in Norwalk, Ca. in January, according to UFW President Katie Loggins. Bill Angel, National Field Director for Foursquare Men's Ministries (CFM) met in Planning Sessions recently with the District Supervisors of the Southeast, Eastern, Great Lakes and Midwest Districts.

National Director of Youth and Christian Education John Bowers and Mrs. Bowers ministered recently at the annual Workers' Appreciation Banquet of the Williams, Az. Foursquare Church. Rev. Bowers was pulpit guest in the church's Sunday services

Dr. Donald McGregor, Church Growth and Evangelism Director, ministered in the San Mateo, Ca. Foursquare Church, Mar. 2-5, and will minister in Colombia, S.A., Mar. 13-28 conducting Evangelism Conferences. In recent months new Foursquare churches have been planted in Needles, Ca. (Southwest District) and Weaverville and Grass Valley, Ca. (Western District).

Dedication Services of new church sanctuaries were conducted in January in the Vermilion, Oh. and Modesto (Faith Center), 'Ca. Foursquare Churches.

Mount Vernon Bible College's annual Phone-A-Thon was held in February with its Community Fund Drive to be conducted, Mar. 19-30. A Missionary Emphasis Week will

convene on March 19. The college is conducting banquets in various areas of the country to provide fellowship and information concerning the purpose and calling of MVBC. The first of these banquets was held in Dallas, Tx. with pastors and members of Foursquare congregations attending. Similar banquets will be conducted in Charlotte, N.C. in March and in DeKalb, III., Apr. 21.

During the winter months successful Youth Winter Camps were held throughout the districts. This month the Divisional Superintendents of the Western District will meet for their annual 4-day Planning Retreat at Pismo Beach, Ca. Pastors of the Northwest District gathered recently at the Portland, Ore. Foursquare Church for their annual District Pastors' Conference. A two-day Northwest District Christian Education Retreat, directed by Donna Winsor for DCE's and Sunday School Superintendents, is scheduled for Apr. 20-21.

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# inside our Foursquare family:

#### Community Concern:

#### **Puppeteer Family Shares Jesus In Shopping Centers**

Rev. and Mrs. Allan Trotter and their 14 year old daughter, Pamela. have been taking the message of God's love to the families who visit malls or shopping centers throughout the United States. They are staff evangelists from Trinity Foursquare Christian Center in Artesia, Ca.

Presenting the Bible through puppetry and balloon artistry, the Trotters minister in the malls for three days, while the fourth day is donated to community service projects such as visiting hospitals, orphanages, and nursing homes.



Pamela, a ventriloquist, often opens each program with her friend, Luke, who sings introductory songs. Balloons twisted into animal shapes are used to recount a life-related story and are given to the children after each performance.

Having covered the mall circuit

for almost two years now, the Trotters always use Bible-based principles in their performances. Prior to ministering in the malls, they traveled to schools, hospitals and churches sharing their message for three years.

In addition to the actual presentation, the Gospel is also shared with the audience through Gospel literature which is freely made available to the people.

"We hope people become stronger by what we do. We are trying to retain the family image by bringing the family closer together with love." explains Rev. Trotter. The Trotters also minister in churches to children and adults. alike, through one- to three-day rallies or teaching seminars on Children's Ministries.



Attentive crowd at one of the many malls across the U.S. where the Trotter family shares the Gospel message through puppetry and balloon artistry.

#### Church:

#### **Jubilee Celebration** Vancouver, Washington

The Vancouver, Wash. Foursquare Church (New Hope Center) celebrated 50 years of faithful ministry in 1978. Special Sunday services were conducted and a lovely reception was held to commemorate this memorable event in the church's history. Pastor Wayne Todd brought the morning message with Northwest District Supervisor Roy Hicks ministering in the evening service.

It was in the summer of 1928 that Rev. J.H. Stilton came to Vancouver and began evangelistic services in the Gospel tent at 18th and Washington Streets. In September the meetings were moved into a hall on lower Main Street, and in



January, 1929, Rev. Ethel M. Fox and "Daddy" Fox came to pastor the new church. In the spring of 1929, under the direction of "Daddy" Fox, the Foursquare Tabernacle was built on the ground where the parsonage now stands. There are some who still remember the sawdust floors.

In 1930, under the ministry of Rev. T.R. Jackman, the Foursquare Tabernacle was moved to the present location and the wooden floor was put in, as well as a 20foot addition to the back of the church for a platform and Sunday School rooms.

It was during the ministry of Rev. Jack Carmain that the basement was put under the church and the lovely parsonage was built.

During the ministry of Rev. C.E. Swanson, additional lots were purchased at 19th and Daniels Streets and a Building Fund was established for the future building of a new permanent church.

The present sanctuary was built during the ministry of Rev. Harold Wood, who pastored the church from 1953-1959. The old sanctuary became the Christian Education Building, Rev. Flay Walker, who pastored from 1959-1970 constructed the Fellowship Hall.

Many former friendships were renewed and memories rekindled at the anniversary celebration. A lovely plaque, commemorating a half century of faithful ministry, was presented to this church body by the International Board of Directors for consistently declaring the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

#### **42nd Anniversary** Kannapolis, North Carolina

A double anniversary celebration was commemorated in 1978 in the Kannapolis, N.C. Foursquare Church by the church congregation and its founders and pastors, Rev. and Mrs. W. Guy Brafford, upon the completion of 42 years of ministry to this community and its surrounding areas.



Under the leadership of Pastor and Mrs. Brafford, the congregation now occupies debt-free church facilities with an appraised value in excess of \$600,000. For 37 years the church has had a weekly radio ministry and for three years a weekly television program, "Vision Outreach," which is televised over an NBC affiliate with a potential viewing audience of more than 2

As a token of appreciation for their faithful pastoral leadership, the church congregation presented Pastor and Mrs. Brafford with the keys to a new 1979 Park Avenue Buick.

# more family:



Supervisor Fred Wymore (left) and Vice President Howard P. Courtney (far right) present Church Certificate of Dedication to Pastor David Scanlon.

#### **Church Dedication Sonora, California**

Members and friends of the Sonora, Ca. Foursquare Church gathered together on a Sunday in November, 1978, to dedicate unto the Lord their new church facilities. Also present at this memorable occasion were Dr. Howard P. Courtney, Vice President of the Foursquare Organization and Pastor of Angelus Temple, and Rev. Fred Wymore, Supervisor of the Western District. Rev. and Mrs. David Scanlon pastor the Sonora Church.

Vice President Courtney delivered the dedicatory message at the Dedication Service with Supervisor Wymore making the presentation of flags to the church.

The Sonora Church had its beginning in June, 1968, when Rev. and Mrs. Warren Baier began holding services in the Grange Hall. With the assistance of the Western District, property was purchased in early 1969. Pastor and Mrs. Scanlon assumed the pastorate in 1974 and began holding services

on the District campgrounds nearby. Rev. Scanlon reports that volunteers performed most of the work on the new 3,400-square foot church. During the one-year construction of the sanctuary, the congregation met in a mobile chapel.

#### Healings Realized In Church Revival

During the revival services held in the Pittsburg, Mo. Foursquare Church and conducted by Rev. Steve Solomon, physical healings and deliverance were realized by many attending the services. Healing of such afflictions as arthritis, nerve spasms, deafness, female disorders, birth damages, and eye and heart problems took place, as well as deliverance from the habit of smoking, self pity, and horoscope influences, reports Pastor Alvin Jensen.

"I had muscle spasms in my right arm for nearly 30 years and they were gradually growing worse as time went on. In addition, I had experienced an internal infection for six years which had left me unable to walk but a short distance. But during the revival God performed a miracle in my body!" testifies Virginia Wooten.

Kenneth Trowbridge shares,
"God miraculously healed me of a
deaf ear from which I had not been
able to hear for 18 years. He also
healed me of my stomach
problems. I have had no more
problems since."

Rev. Steve Solomon is a converted Jew from the Orlando, Fl. Foursquare Church. A former night club entertainer, he was delivered from the occult, E.S.P., use of harmful drugs, and the practice of Transcendental Meditation.

#### Youth:

#### Church Softball Team Undefeated in League Competition

The slow-pitch softball team of the Santa Paula, Ca. Foursquare Church, was undefeated in City Church League competition with a record of 8–0. The team took the league championship in December, 1978, and as a result, the Santa Paula Church, pastored by Rev. Gayden Frazier, was awarded a trophy by the city of Santa Paula Parks and Recreation Department.

#### Anniversary and Dedication Bradley, Illinois



Twenty-five years of ministry to its community were celebrated by the congregation of the Bradley, III. Foursquare Church on Dec. 17, 1978, reports Pastor Chandler West. This special day also served to dedicate the newly completed Prayer Chapel (Upper Room) facilities to the ministry of prayer.

District Supervisor L.T. Charter was present for this day of celebration and ministered in the Morning Worship Service. The Dedication Service of the Prayer Chapel was held in the afternoon following a buffet which was served to those who gathered for the day's activities. Former Pastor, Rev. Bob Deyarmond of DeKalb, Ill. Foursquare Church, brought the evening message. The day's activities ended with a Candlelight Communion Service held at the conclusion of the evening service.

#### South Central District Bestows Special Honors

Each year the South Central District selects a Pastor of the Year, Rookie Minister (one who has served less than 5 years in pastoral ministry) of the Year, and Church of the Year. The two ministers and church that received these special honors for 1978 include:

Rev. Paul McEachern (El Paso First Church, Tx.)—Pastor of the Year.

Rev. Dan Hicks (Garland, Tx.)—Rookie Minister of the Year.

Albuquerque Chelwood, N.M. Church—Church of the Year.

#### Present with the Lord:

Velma Cobb Catherine Curty Ethel L. Deamer Lillie M. Pearce Maggie Petry Earl David Smith



### **Special Report:**

# Meet the Men at Headquarters Foursquare Men's Ministries



#### Gary Cooper, new National President

Police Captain Gary Cooper began serving as the new National President of Foursquare Men's Ministries on January 1, 1979. He succeeds Mr. Jack Saffell, who served faithfully

in this capacity for four years.

The new National President, Gary Cooper, is a 20-year veteran of the Los Angeles Police Department. He is presently the Captain of Devonshire area, commanding 200 personnel who police 44-square miles of the city. He has served the Police Department in patrol, detectives, narcotics, vice, planning and research, adjutant to former Chief of Police Edward M. Davis, internal affairs (discipline), community relations, field command post and as Department Chaplain.

Gary Cooper grew up in the Ventura, California Foursquare Church and has spent most of his life in Foursquare churches. He attended Southern California and LIFE Bible Colleges and was licensed as a Foursquare minister while serving as Chaplain of the Los Angeles Police Department, an extra-duty assignment which he still holds. He has also served as an Associate Minister and Divisional Youth Director, as well as a past member of the Advisory Board of Teen Challenge of Southern California. Gary has been active as a Sunday School teacher and in various church offices. He is also a member of the LIFE Alumni Committee.

Gary graduated from Pepperdi 1e University with a Bachelor of Science degree from the School of Business and Management and a Master of Public Administration degree. He has served as a management consultant and conducted church leadership seminars in a number of Foursquare churches, divisional meetings, and International Conventions.

Gary and his wife, Carolyn, have two children.

#### Bill Angel, new National Field Director

The new National Field Director, William (Bill) L. Angel, has been with the Foursquare Organization since his conversion in 1949. His hometown is Canon City, Colorado.

Bill and his wife, Velma, pioneered the Foursquare church in Fort Collins, Colorado and then pastored in Scottsbluff, Nebraska. He served as Midwest District Divisional Youth Director, Chairman of the Board at the

Midwest Children's Home, a member of the Midwest Camp Committee, and camp speaker.

Bill is a graduate of LIFE Bible College with a Bachelor's degree in Theology. He furthered his studies at Scottsbluff, Nebraska Junior College and has attended Christian Growth Conferences at Arrowhead Springs, California and Cannon Beach, Oregon. Bill carries a degree in Sales Proficiency with GO Inc., a national sales organization. In 1970 he Gary Cooper accepted the post of Director of Lay Evangelism for the Midwest District and conducted seminars in the churches of the district. He also conducted Successful Living Seminars and Motivation courses at men's retreats, churches and sales groups. Bill and his wife have two married children and a son attending LIFE Bible College.

Velma Angel assists her husband in the Men's Ministries' Office, which is now located in the Park-Sunset Building, 1100 Glendale Boulevard, Los Angeles, California.

Telephone: (213) 484-1100.

Gary and Bill's vision for Foursquare Men's Ministries is that it supports the local church in developing men into the ministers God wants them to be. They believe they can be a catalyst and an avenue of information among the churches regarding ministry among men. Men's ministries will encourage . . .

An environment for ministry A relationship for ministry Activities for ministry

The goal is that every man will be alive in Christ, moving in fellowship and walking in ministry.



Bill Angel



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# SEOPIE:

# After a Remarkable Healing, Leon Morris is Committed to Grass Roots Soul Winning.

Slowly dying of emphysema at the age of 58 and having a wife who had been an alcoholic for 20 years, Leon Franklin Morris's life was one of despair and emptiness. Although fatherless from age six, Leon, nevertheless, had a praying mother. His brother, Reverend Dwight Morris, a Foursquare minister, was also praying for him. As a result, the hopeless situation of Leon and his wife, Virginia, all changed when they attended a Sunday morning service at the Capitol Foursquare Church in Sacramento, California on March 3, 1974. On this memorable day in their lives, they responded to Christ's love and accepted Him as their personal Savior.

At the time of Leon's conversion, his physical condition was so bad that he had to have an oxygen bottle on hand at all times. However, when he and his wife experienced the new birth through Jesus Christ, another miracle of God took place as Leon was completely healed of emphysema and Virginia was delivered from alcoholism.

But the miracles did not cease there. God has taken this couple, who are now actively involved in the Capitol Foursquare Church in many capacities, and has performed miracles in the lives of others through the witness of their testimony.

Clockwise: Leon and Virginia Morris (left forefront) gather with members of Cecile McFadden's family who are now members of God's family; Jean Fenner's husband, former professional baseball player John Fenner, is shown with their daughter, Cindy. As a teenager, Jean Stinnett Fenner attended the Lynwood, Ca., Foursquare Church; Pastor Don Swett (left) and Leon Morris serve Communion to hospital patient Catherine Duncan.



The first of these miracles took place when Leon was called into the home of John and Jean Fenner to repair a refrigerator during the week prior to July 2, 1977. While in this home, Leon was impressed by the Holy Spirit that there was a spiritual need in the Fenner household. This was confirmed when John shared with Leon that his wife, Jean, was dying with cirrhosis of the liver as a result of alcoholism. At this time Leon asked John if he would allow him to return to their home at another time to pray for Jean. Arrangements were made and Leon returned on July 2. As a result, Jean recommitted her life to Christ. She had made a commitment as a teenager but had drifted away from the Lord. A second miracle took place when she was totally delivered from alcoholism and released from her burden of sin, as well as being completely freed from her fear of death. Prior to this, Jean would scream and cry at the thought of dying-fighting back with all the strength she could muster in her weakened condition.

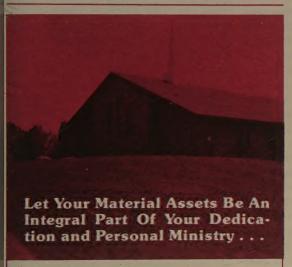
The very next day Jean attended services at the Capitol Foursquare Church and returned the two succeeding weeks. Then on August 6, 1977, the Lord took her to her heavenly home. What a beautiful testimony of the grace of





God as Leon, a repairman, was used to lead Jean back to the Lord just a few weeks before she was to die. Today the church is still reaching out to members of this family in ministry and, as a result, Jean's husband, John, made a commitment to the Lord recently. These conversions were, however, just the beginning of the many more miracles that were to follow.

On March 14, 1978, the Lord ministered to Leon and Virginia through a word of prophecy instructing them to go and tell Virginia's aunt, Cecile McFadden, that they had "come in the name of the Lord." Prior to this, the Morrises had been prayerfully burdened for this aunt for the last four years, but she had already let them know that she was not interested in their new found "religion." Assured that this was God's perfect timing, however, Leon and Virginia went to visit Aunt Cecile the following morning. Instead of rejecting the Morrises' testimony and words of witness as in the past, Aunt Cecile responded to the love of God and was saved on that day as the Holy Spirit had prepared her heart. Present at Aunt Cecile's home were her two daughters and a son-in-law who also



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confessed Christ as their Savior at this time. The following Sunday another son-in-law was saved.

But the miracles didn't stop there. The marvelous work of Jesus continued to pour forth as within a period of six months the total results of that one visit "in the name of the Lord" came to:

One aunt saved, baptized in water, and filled with the Holy Spirit.

Two cousins and their husbands saved, baptized in water and became members of the Capitol Foursquare Church.

Eight second cousins saved, and baptized in water with four joining the church.

Two third cousins saved and baptized in water.

Altogether a total of 15 persons were saved because of the faithfulness and obedience to the voice and guidance of the Lord by Leon and Virginia.

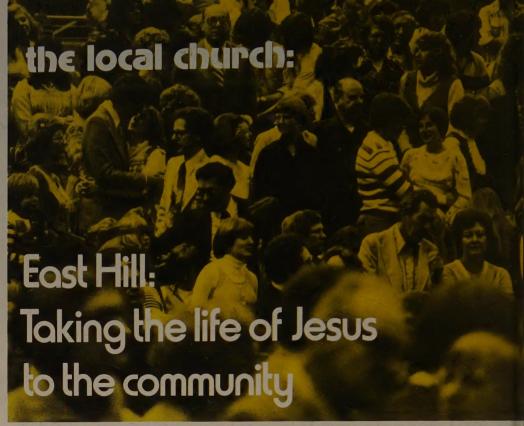
Currently, these new babes in Christ are all being nurtured by the Body of Christ, and victories continue to be won as they are each growing in the Lord. In addition, Leon is conducting Home Bible Studies three times a week for these new converts, thus helping to establish them in the Word of God.

Leon also serves as an elder in the Capitol Foursquare Church, as well as holding the position of church maintenance man and grounds keeper. Since his healing he also enjoys ministering in song. Meanwhile, Virginia is active as a deaconess and serves as the church custodian.

Little did Leon and Virginia know when they shared their faith in Jesus with Virginia's Aunt Cecile that she would only have a few more months to live on this earth. Mrs. McFadden is now with her Heavenly Father. If it had not been for the testimony of the Morrises, in God's perfect timing, this woman, as well as Jean Fenner, might have been lost for eternity.

Leon and Virginia's lives are living testimonies that God can take anyone—even a 58 year old repairman dying of emphysema who had not been in church for 35 years, and his alcoholic wife—and totally turn his or her life around so that this testimony of salvation and deliverance will point others to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.

"Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain; that whatsoever Ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it to you." John 15:16.



"...making everything Jesus is... available to every man...every minute."

By Bill Jastram

"And he gave some as . . . pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of service [ministry]." Ephesians 4:11,12.

East Hill Foursquare Church has grown from this foundation. Thirteen years ago the goal of its pastor, Reverend Jerry Cook, was to equip his people—the church, and send them "into the teeth" of their culture.

It's not a comfortable concept to work with at first. Traditionally people appreciate the work of the ministry to be "profession-alized." But people have come because of the challenge there is in the responsibility of being "the ministers." There is strength in a committed group of people willing to take the purpose of their Christian commitment and applying it wherever they find themselves in the community in which they live.

This group of "committed people" was no more than 25 at the outset. That included Pastor Jerry's wife, Barbara, the two of them fresh from college, having been called to the then small town of Gresham, a Portland, Oregon suburb.

The growth of the East Hill Foursquare Church has been itself a "news worthy" item, evolving from the first 25 to 2,500 in eight years, to a present congregation of over 5,000. However, the real communication has come as these people have found and committed themselves to their individual ministries. In

recent years, the members of the Ebody have indeed found themselves teeth" of their culture! Their involves the "marketplace" has come through pschool/parent interaction, prison, hand nursing home visitations; they have office, run into tremendous land tunities, and have almost been run community enthusiasm both pro at The challenge in all this has been to make their sincere purpose, to share every Jesus is . . . with every man . . . every Turning this into practice is what Past has often termed "where the rubber the road."

It sounds, so far, like a tremendous story; small church exploding in grow a massive community commitment favorable response from that comwell, bury the notion. It has been good consistently better, but there are in problems with growth on this scale are potential problems with a "soci jected gospel," especially when it reliabed to the pressures of compromise

East Hill Foursquare Church has stretch and mature with its growth. I munity involvement, besides gen numbers, has generated a broadening of "peripheral people" who are slow to a real commitment of participation they are taught. The weight of the rehas always rested on a proportionate "core" of people.

Ierry has seen his role to be the g of those who can best equip othan emphasis on training leaders to her leaders, the result has been to hat "core" and stabilize the church vs. An example of this surfaced two in the acquisition of the old country ds as a potential building site for a auditorium. In the outset, there was husiasm expressed for the purchase ime 50 acres in the heart of the city. ole caught the "vision" the leadervided, and saw this as an accurate practicalizing" the concepts of the they had been taught. But, again, core participated and the weight rimarily there. However, as Pastor lied the concept of equipping leadxpanding that core, last year, when nstruction costs were to be contribt core had grown dramatically by 6! It worked, and now more emphang laid to expanding that committed

with the fairgrounds project, the las been "mediaized" in its social nent. Several people, within the have run for local political office, e lost, and some have been better for he newspapers picked up this social and East Hill became a political ard in the eyes of the media. The tion of political, economic and nu-









merical strength was viewed, for a time, as a threat by the city of Gresham. Some concern was expressed that the church would run the city, taking over all the major elective offices by sheer numbers. However, this concern was unnecessary.

East Hill's purpose in no way was or ever will be to "railroad" through or even "endorse" a particular candidate. It is the individual's "ministry" for which each saint has been equipped. The media missed the point, and so did part of the community, but God didn't miss the opportunity to turn potential animosity into public trust and appreciation. Part of the fairgrounds is to become the site of well needed housing for the elderly and handicapped, and those "political individuals" have become a positive, active, influence, with beautiful community interaction. The delicate balance was maintained. and in one way or another, Jesus was made "available to every man."

By way of reflection, over the past years, it has been the continual underlying emphasis of the church's purpose, as stated in Ephesians, Chapter 4, that has helped the people of East Hill Foursquare Church to participate in their world.

They come to be equipped. They go to bring "wholeness." They are thankful for the opportunity.

Top: Pastor Jerry Cook and his wife. Barbara, shown with daughters. Carmen (left) and Christi, and young son. Jamie: home groups bring entire families together for times of Bible study, sharing and fellowship, Two views of Touchpoint Ministries include: (center column, above) Love demonstrated in tangible ways to the elderly in hotels and retirement homes: and (below) ministry "on the streets," which is carried on by team members fulfilling its purpose of deeply infecting the downtown Portland community with the redeeming healing of Jesus. Other Touchpoint ministries include: Teams reaching into many of Oregon's correctional institutions and a mental hospital; pen pals to men and women in prison; street counselors; a job corps center: Cookie Co-op which provides 75 to 100 dozen homemade cookies each week to institutions in the area: and a Help (Hot) Line.

East Hill Church also provides many ministries for women through A Touch of Beauty Ministries. Included are: Weekday radio broadcast with Mrs. Jerry Cook; Kaffee Klatsches; Bible studies; Girls' Share-Ins; counseling service; retreats; ministry to nursing homes; cassette tapes of special speakers; childbirth class; fair where the sale of homemade craft and food items give opportunity for women to tithe of their talents to the Lord's work; special speakers; and monthly Kaffee Klatsch GROUNDS newspaper.

Bill Jastram is Director of Publications for East Hill Foursquare Church. He is the author of a Home Bible Study Course used in many Foursquare churches.









From top: Foursquare ministers participating in various capacities in the forthcoming Pentecostal World Conference include: Dr. Howard P. Courtney; Reverend Samuel Odunaike; Reverend Veronico Suan; and Reverend Victor Gardner.

Queen Elizabeth Theatre, where conference morning sessions will be held.

## convention:

12th PENTECOSTAL WORLD CONFERENCE Vancouver, B.C. October 2-7, 1979

Speakers from four continents will be heard at the 12th Pentecostal World Conference in Vancouver, Canada, from October 2-7, 1979.

Representing the "Third World" will be Foursquare minister and prominent African leader, Reverend Samuel Odunaike of Yaba, Nigeria; and Dr. John Thannickal of Bangalore, India, who serves as a president of a college and representative of 3,200 local churches in India.

From South America will be Reverend Javier Vasques of Santiago, Chile who pastors a church with the largest membership of any local church in the world. Pastor Bertil Olingdahl of the Smyrna church of Vaastra Frolunda, Sweden will minister, as well as Reverend Eric Dando of Newport, Wales, editor-elect of the World Pentecostal magazine, and Reverend Percy S. Brewster, formerly of Cardiff, Wales who serves as General Secretary of the World Pentecostal Conference.





North Americans will be represented by Reverend Dennis Bennett of Seattle, Washington; Dr. Dan Beller of Tulsa, Oklahoma; Dr. Paul L. Walker, Atlanta, Georgia; and Dr. Thomas F. Zimmerman of Springfield, Missouri, who is Conference Chairman of the Vancouver conclave.

Foursquare ministers serving on the Advisory Committee for the Pentecostal World Conference include: Reverend Veronico T. Suan of the Philippines; Dr. Howard P. Courtney of the United States; and Reverend Samuel Odunaike of Nigeria. Dr. Courtney is also a member of the Presidium of the 1979 Conference. Reverend Victor Gardner, Supervisor of the Western Canada District, serves on the Host Committee.

A first in Pentecostal World Conferences will be an "International Pentecostal Women's Meeting," on Thursday afternoon, October 4, 1979, from 2-4 p.m.

The main meetings of the conference will be held in the Pacific Coliseum and the Queen Elizabeth Theatre. More than 10,000 delegates from 80 countries are expected to attend.

By Bill Jastram

# concepts of the Church:

Splitting and chewing the wood, the blade gnaws deep into the groove, creating the shape desired. Guided by the craftsman, the saw in the hand of a master, it is the bridge into a true work of art. The blade's high, slender shape stabilizes and guides the long thin strip of steel, edged with strong teeth to cut the craftsman's desired shape. All the steel lends weight and strength to the "cut-

ting edge", but it is the teeth that make the design. The teeth create a work of art, forming and shaping the wood to the desires of the craftsman. Together they make a thing of beauty.

We are the saw in the hands of our Master. We are the tool, the "cutting edge", creating the desires of God in the earth. Our lives are the thin, slender blade that must be straight to smoothly penetrate the depth of the world: Our faith, continually reaching for new expression, cutting through a tough world of unbelief. In His hands we bring meaning to useless life. We create beauty out of decay. We form an image in which the world can easily see the handiwork of God.

# nealiné:

# Andy, it's malignant!"

At the age of 14, Andy Kaufman of Henderon, Nevada, was diagnosed as having Hodgin's Disease—a malignant enlargement of lymph nodes. It was March, 1972, and everal years of painful treatments were to bllow.

"My father, a medical doctor, decided that should have further examination and treathent at Stanford University Medical Center Palo Alto, California. Upon diagnosis, I nmediately underwent surgery, and my pleen was removed. After recovering I was ut on chemotherapy, radiation and then hore chemotherapy treatments. These took ne whole year to complete. The treatments

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left me very weak, but I was recovering," recalls Andy.

The following year it appeared that Andy's condition was improving. He was encouraged by the fact that he had been told that he had passed through the most crucial period in remission from the disease. However, the next year was not to be so bright.

Andy shares: "In April, 1975, a lump appeared on my chest indicating the return of the dreaded disease. I was put on chemotherapy treatments, but these had increasingly less effect on the disease. In an attempt to find the right combination, the doctors decided to switch the treatments they were giving me. Nothing seemed to work. By November I had really begun to lose hope as all my hair had fallen out due to the new drugs.

"At the time I did not realize that the Holy Spirit was at work in bringing me into the life and hope that is in Jesus Christ," Andy further shares. "I had accepted Jesus as my Savior in September, 1975, but had never attended church. In December of that same year, the lady who had led me to Jesus heard about my physical condition. She asked me to go to church with her to be prayed for. She really seemed to believe that I would be healed, so I agreed to go."

The Christmas play was being presented the night that Andy attended the Neighborhood Foursquare Church in Henderson, Nevada. There were many unbelievers in the crowd that evening. At the conclusion of the service, Pastor Don Frazier made the announcement that they were to pray for Andy's healing. Upon hearing this, a wave of compassion swept the congregation. Reverend Frazier and the elders of the church laid hands on Andy, anointed him with oil, and prayed for his healing. Fifteen minutes later a lump under his right armpit shrunk.

"In the successive months following this miracle of God, the Holy Spirit began to deal with me," testifies Andy, "giving me faith and showing me that it was God's will for everyone to be healed. Strength and health steadily began to return to my body."

Andy, age 20, has been in tremendous physical condition for one and a half years now. He praises the Lord for His wonderful mercy and love as he has seen the promise of Jesus "they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover" (Mark 16:18) fulfilled in his own life!



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Clockwise from top: Reverend Olga Robertson, missionary to the Philippines; Graduates of the 1978 Maranatha Class of the Foursquare Bible Institute of Guatemala, shown with President Gilberto Alvarez (left) and Director Michael Weilein (right); about 4,000 attended the 5th Anniversary Service of the work in Belem, Brazil; President of the Brazilian Church, Dr. George Faulkner (left), and Pastor Josue Bengtson shown on building site of Belem Main Church.









## international update:

DATE LINE: Asia

Hong Kong-Three new towns are being constructed in the Hong Kong Colony because of the tremendous population growth of this small country. Together by 1986 these cities will have a combined population of over two million people. One of the towns, Tuen Mun, is located just 20 miles from Kowloon and only 10 miles from China's border. A freeway has been built with mass transit being planned to link it directly to that metropolis. This city is being built on an area space of 3,022 acres of land with a residential section capable of having a population density of 1,000 persons per acre.

Missionary Ron Williams relates that present plans call for the establishment of a church in Tuen Mun. The space to be purchased for the church is located in a building in the center of this new city. These facilities will also serve as a training and communications center. Many extension ministries will go forth from

this center to the surrounding area.

Tuen means "garrisoning of troops" and Mun means "gate". In its past history, Tuen Mun has been a marshalling area for armies of national leaders as well as a gate from which to dispatch troops to wage warfare. Could it not be that God is preparing this city to assume a new role in its spiritual history? Could it not be that the King of Kings is ready to call forth from out of its population an "army of believers" prepared to wage battle against the powers of spiritual darkness?

Philippines—"Four Americans became hostages today in a prison escape plot by convicts at the Philippines National Prison 20 miles outside Manila." This was the lead sentence in a story which appeared in the Los Angeles Times (Nov. 22, 1978).

Reverend and Mrs. Steve Riggle, pastors from Livermore, California, along with Missionary Paul Adams of World Map Missions Organization, were visiting with Reverend Olga Robertson, Foursquare missionary who ministers

to the inmates of Bilibid Prison. Together they held a service for the prisoners in the maximum security area. Four convicts took advantage of their presence and used them as hostages to escape from the building as they made their way outside and into a van. The prisoners hoped to gain freedom outside the wall, so they forced Olga Robertson, at knife: point, to drive the van. The convicts became very abusive in the van and stabbed the pastor's: wife. When her husband went to: her defense, the convicts turned: on him and stabbed him three: times. (Because of these stab: wounds, it was later necessary to: operate and remove his spleen.) Realizing that the prisoners would: kill them if they made it outside: the wall, Olga sped up the van and then slammed on the: brakes. She then pushed open the door and threw herself out. As a result, the prison guards: were able to shoot into the vant and kill the four prisoners.

Reverend Robertson has ministered in this prison for 20 years. She is so respected by the prison administration that they gave her a piece of land inside the prison walls to build a Foursquare church. As most prisoners re-

spond to Olga and lovingly call her "Mommie," she has been called upon, on occasion, by prison officials to help quiet prison riots. Praise God that He spared her life and ministry in this noident.

#### DATE LINE: Latin America

Vicaragua-Missionary Jerry King states that the new fourpedroom parsonage is nearing completion. It is a one-story stucco building located about one mile from the church. Our missionaries there have previousv rented living quarters, but because of the increase in rent costs, it was considered wiser to build our own parsonage. The diligent labors of the Kings workng on this building under very adverse circumstances is appreciated by all. God has so wonderully protected Reverend King and also healed his body of hepatitis. Thank you for praying for him.

Brazil—An exciting story of a powerful move of God is received irom Belem. This is a town with a population of 750,000 and located near the mouth of the Amazon River. Its founding dates pack to the colonization of Brazil by the Portuguese, but it was a city with no light of the Gospel of Christ.

In November, 1973, Reverend Josue Bengtson was sent by the Foursquare Church of Brazil to pioneer a work there. He was given money to rent living quarters, a vacant lot or empty ware-

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District	JanDec. 1978
Angelus Temple	\$122,978.88
Canada	69,551.66
Eastern U.S.	148,047.85
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Great Lakes	238,013.35
Midwest	172,854.72
Northwest	319,502.28
South Central	87,853.83
Southeast	84,903.92
Southern California	334,249.50
Southwest	224,688.45
Western	144,232.02

house, and to pay the costs for a month's daily radio broadcast. After one month of radio broadcasting, he began holding services. There were 300 present for the first public meeting. In six months, the work had grown to an extent where the congregation could purchase a lot and begin constructing its own building.

As the church body matured. other congregations in the city and surrounding cities and towns were begun, until today about 16 congregations (eight of which have property and buildings either completed or under construction) have been started in Belem. In each location they have two to three services each day, with some churches averaging in each service 300 in attendance and others up to 2.000. Over 25 churches have also been planted in other cities and towns of that state.

Dr. George Faulkner, missionary to Brazil and President of the Brazilian Church, Dr. Leland Edwards, Director of Missions International, and his wife, Barbara, recently visited the first established Foursquare Church in Belem for the Fifth Anniversary of the work. There were approximately 4,000 in attendance in the evening service. We thank God for His continued move in Brazil.

Guatemala—''Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost'' (Matt. 28:19).

Reverend and Mrs. Mike Weilein, Foursquare missionaries, are obeying God's commission to not only win the lost, but to teach and equip those won so that they, in turn, might win others.

The Bible College Maranatha Class of 1978 held its graduation services in the Headquarters Church of Guatemala City. These exercises were enjoyed by a congregation of 400 people, which represented many areas of that country. Immediately following graduation, the graduates began their ministries which involve pastoring and ministry in the Na-

tional Tape and Radio Ministry. Now they are fulfilling Christ's command as they go baptizing and teaching the people of Guatemala.

Ecuador—The National Convention was held in the City of Guayaquil. Delegates came from many areas which included: the high altitude cities of Quito, Ambato and Riobamba; the Eastern plains on the other side of the Andes; the banana capital of Machala; the beach cities of the Peninsula; the cities of Babahoyo, Miagro and Quevedo; and from the 16 churches of the city of Guayaquil.

The theme, "The Family—All in the Lord," was ably presented by guest ministers, Dr. and Mrs. Donald McGregor. Missionary Jack Richey, National Supervisor, writes: "There was general agreement that this was one of the best conventions ever, with hearts being challenged to go back to their areas with renewed vision."

# DATE LINE: South Pacific

Papua New Guinea-The little church in Kundiawa was packed with over 100 people inside and another 200 looking in the doors and windows. These folk had gathered for a Water Baptismal Service since Missionaries Reverend and Mrs. Laurie Hall were to be visiting. Reverend Hall spoke on the meaning of Water Baptism, and at the conclusion the group made its way down the long descent to the mountain stream, which had been dammed up for the Baptismal Service. They sang as they walked down the road, and soon the crowd began to swell as others along the way joined them. An estimated 600 people were in the final gathering.

As each of the 26 candidates went down into the icy cold pool, the people sang, with all their hearts, the Gospel songs that several in the church had written. The muddy banks were so slippery that several people were enlisted to help each person out of the water.

# Open your Bible: Open Thou Mine Eyes

By Reverend Charles E. Baldwin



"Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law." Psalms 119:18

William Carey, pioneer missionary, once said, "I serve the Lord with all my senses and cobble shoes to pay expenses." Though what we might be doing to meet material needs is relatively unimportant, we must enlist all of our mental capacities and physical senses in our search for spiritual development. This is most evident in our relationship to the Bible as we use it as an instrument for Christian growth.

Our text emphasizes this truth when it says, "open thou mine eyes." But not our eyes only, but our ears, heart, and mind must be wide open as we "desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby" (I Pet. 2:2).

**Open Your Eyes and Ears** 

Open your eyes to the Scriptures is what Paul admonished Timothy when he wrote, "give attendance to reading" (I Tim. 4:13) and "study to show thyself approved unto God" (II Tim. 2:15).

Open your ears to spiritual truth was the one admonition common to the seven churches of the book of Revelation. "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches" cried John as he wrote with divine inspiration (Rev. 3:22). We shall never know God's plan for us or His promises to us until we read them with our eyes or hear them with our ears. It is important that we follow the example of those in the Early Church who "searched the scriptures daily" (Acts 17:11) and that of the Israelites who went out each morning to receive a

fresh supply of manna (Ex. 16:4). Daily portions of meat, milk, honey, and bread from the Book give us the strength needed for each day.

Open Your Heart and Meditate

The Psalmist, David, in describing a man of God says: "his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night" (Psa. 1:2).

Such meditation causes the Word of God to be absorbed by our innermost being until it becomes "marrow to thy [our] bones" (Prov. 3:8) and "health to all their [our] flesh" (Prov. 4:22). Reading and hearing the Scriptures are not enough, but we must "Let these sayings sink down into your [our] ears" (Lk. 9:44) and into our hearts to obtain the desired result of spiritual development.

This assimilation of spiritual truth causes the reader to become "a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper" (Psa. 1:3). The secret of the heart that is aglow for God is meditation in the Word of God. "While I was musing [meditating]," David said, "the

fire burned." (Psa. 39:3).

**Open Your Mind** 

Reading, hearing, and meditating do not finish our approach to the Word of God. To complete the pattern, there must be obedience and the bending of our will to the will of God as expressed in the Scriptures. For us to feel otherwise is self-deception. It is as James writes, "But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your ownselves" (Jas. 1:22).

The final words of the Sermon on the Mount sum up the message of Jesus: "Everyone that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the

sand" (Matt. 7:26).

In sharp contrast to these words of Jesus, are God's words to Joshua as he is commissioned to lead Israel into the Promised Land: "Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest. This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein . . ." (Josh. 1:7-8).

Readers of the Scriptures; meditators in the Word of God; and doers of the will of Godall these shall be blessed in their deeds and grow in the grace of our Lord Jesus.

# Raymond Cox: irrent @ vents Scomments

"I can't believe that a coming Antichrist could deceive the whole world. Russia, ves: China, yes; Europe, maybe, but surely not America and not Israel!" Many have voiced his sentiment in the past. Guyana and lonesown have taken the wind out of their sails. Of ourse, what a person believes and imagines nust always yield to the statements of Scripure, and the Bible says that a substitute (such s the significance of Anti-) Christ will hoodvink Jews and Gentiles alike (cf. Dan. 9:27; In. :43: Rev. 13).

The mass suicides at lonestown demonstrate how totally vulnerable human nature is o captivating leaders. We may regard the disaster as an example in advance of what can come on a larger scale. If 910 would die at the pehest of lim lones, it should not surprise anyone when Satan spawns his Antichrist that he world will succumb to spiritual suicide in accepting the mark of the Beast.

How dramatically Jonestown emphasizes esus' warnings not to expose yourself to deceiving leaders and concepts (cf. Matt. 24:23-26). And how grateful we should be that we are part of a fellowship based on the Bible and

the Lordship of Jesus Christ, If any Foursquare ministers stray into heresy, thank God we have spiritual leaders who will correct and direct a return to pure Gospel truth. No Jim Jones will "pied-piper" us into disaster. Such a deceiver would be exposed and removed if he refused to repent.

The sickening disaster at lonestown confirms to me the importance and privilege of. and the strength to be found in being connected with a congregation which belongs to a larger body, a movement embracing an international fellowship where some disciplines are observed by the ministry and the constituency. So long as we remain true to God's Word and Spirit-directed leadership, our salt will never lose its savor!

The media has named the Jonestown tragedy the number one news story of last year. Relatives of a member of our congregation were among the deceased in Guyana. There is nothing we can do for them now beyond manifesting sympathy to their survivors. But a greater news story will unfold, and it could come soon-the greatest news story of all history, the Second Coming of Jesus Christ, first in the clouds to catch away His Church. We can minister to people, now, who would be left behind for the Antichrist to deceive if lesus were to come while they remain unsaved from sin. By winning them to Christ, today, we can insure their escape from the tribulation holocaust. Let's be witnesses as well as doing witnessing.



# book briefs:

From Power to Peace, by Jeb Stuart Magruder, Word Books, \$7,95.

A Special Assistant to the President during Richard Nixon's first administration, Jeb

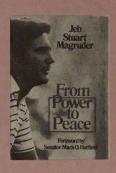
Magruder was a participant in the Watergate coverup and shares his torturous journey from "power to peace" as he relates his nvolvement in Watergate, his time spent in brison and his discovery of Christ through hese experiences. An important truth earned by Mr. Magruder was the importance of setting his priorities in their proper order a lesson that needs constant reviewing and evaluating by Christians living in today's society.

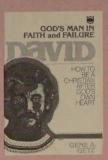
Candid Questions About Morality, by J. Edwin Orr, Regal, \$2.25.

In this provocative book, the author helps you find the answers to difficult questions such as: Is homosexuality a natural or unnatural act? Is it ever right to withhold the truth? Where do we get our sense of right and wrong? and other such questions. This readable, interesting book is filled with insights on ethics and personal morals. Dr. Orr, the author of scores of books, is well-known in fundamental circles.

DAVID: God's Man in Faith and Failure, by Dr. Gene A. Getz, Regal, \$3.25.

Psalmist, King, Warrior, Fugitive. Shepherd. Friend. Adulterer. Murderer. These events epitomize David's life. Who was this man God designated as "a man after His own heart?" David was a man of strong commitment and faith, but he also had an inherent weakness in his personality which caused him to become entangled in a web of sinful behavior that is difficult for the average 20th century Christian to comprehend. Dr. Getz, a preacher and teacher, helps us to really know David through a careful biblical exposition and practical insights into his life. It will help us live more devoted lives for Christ.





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